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Schools Need More Improvements

County Court Bill Expected To Come Before State Body; Assembly Opens Wednesday

Orange county's representatives in the State Legislature, which opens in Raleigh Wednesday, January 8, were making final preparations this week for the opening of the General Assembly.

W. Umstead, of Chapel Hill, representative, and James O. of Hillsboro, state senator representing Orange and Alamance counties, will be the county's delegates in the legislature.

PUBLISH COURT

Although discussion has been for introduction of several local bills, one of the most important expected to be introduced is a measure to establish a county court for handling cases of the jurisdiction of the justice of the peace courts in the county. James Webb, in discussing the proposed bill, said he saw no reason why the bill shouldn't be introduced. Clerk of court Edwin Lynch said several weeks ago the establishment of the court would shorten the docket in the superior court and bring trial quicker to those charged with violation of motor vehicle laws.

TEN SUPERIOR COURT
Establishment of a county court, it has been estimated, would shorten the superior court docket by as much as 90 percent. Also, it has been stated, the county court would have a certain increased amount of business to the school fund from levied and collected through court.

The Hillsboro Merchants Association has requested that a measure be introduced limiting the appearance of traveling shows and carnivals in the county to day stands. Whether or not introduction of the measure is pressed, there has been no action.

Bob also said there had been agitation raised for the introduction of a bill outlawing sale of fireworks in the county. A total of 10 important state measures are expected to be before the legislature.

Greatly increased operating appropriations requests. Greatly increased permanent improvements requests.

Teachers' pay.

Whether to separate game and fishery from the Department of Conservation and Development.

The Good Health Program. State employees' salaries. Liquor referendum.

Consolidation of the Highway State Bureau of Investigation and State Bureau of Identification.

The sales tax.

Proposed changes in solicitors' fees.

That the session will last into March and probably into early April before adjournment.

How Type X-Ray Equipment Designed Health Department

Dr. David Garvin, District Health Officer, announced this week that the United States Public Health Service has assigned the District Health Department a 35 mm Photographic Westinghouse x-ray unit.

The equipment is to facilitate the finding and follow-up of tuberculosis in the Health Department. As a result of the survey sponsored by the Health Department and the Tuberculosis Association during the first of the year, the need for such equipment was pointed out.

Health Department has been very active in tuberculosis finding and supervision work, but has been limited by the lack of adequate equipment for the making of x-rays at a safe and inexpensive method. The new equipment will permit the

Youth, Hit By Car, Dies Of Injuries

Kenneth Ray, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. June Ray of route 1, Chapel Hill, died at Duke Hospital, Christmas day of injuries received when he was struck by an automobile early that morning on Highway 54.

Patrolman R. R. Thomas, who made the investigation, said that Kenneth and a playmate were playing on the shoulders of the road about seven miles west of Chapel Hill. The children lit a fire cracker and then ran away before it exploded. Kenneth ran onto the road in the path of an approaching car driven by Warsaw W. Braswell of Newland.

Braswell tried to dodge the child but was unable to do so. He carried the injured boy to Chapel Hill from where he was carried in an ambulance to Duke Hospital, where he died at 12:30 p. m.

Besides his mother and father, the boy is survived by his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Della Ray, Rt. 2, Graham; and maternal grandfather, Mrs. Fred Eubanks, Rt. 1, Chapel Hill.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at Antioch Baptist Church at 2:30 with the Rev. William H. Poole of Carrboro in charge.

Interment was in the church cemetery.

The following served as pallbearers: Bernard Lloyd, Donald Lloyd, Weldon Riggsbee, Mebane Durham, Hubert Durham, and Bobby Butler.

Thet following were floral bearers: Betty Jo Ray, Barbara Ray, Peggy Ray, Patsy Hold, Sylvia Bowden, Hooker Butler, Glenda Yow, Betty Lloyd, Mary Frances Andrews, Margaret Andrews, Jean and Jane Stanford, John Yow, Bernice Ward, Sammy Lloyd, Peggy Bowden and Kollah Durham.

MOVES TO NEW CHURCH

Carrboro—Rev. William H. Poole, who has resigned his pastorate at the Baptist church here moved on Friday of last week to his new work near Smithfield. He has accepted the pastorate of the Pisgah Baptist church in the Johnston association.

MECHANICAL DIFFICULTIES HOLD NEWS TO 4 PAGES

Because of mechanical difficulties, THE NEWS is being limited to four pages this week. We hope to return to our regular 8 and 10-page papers with next week's issue. We regret the necessity of omitting many news items from this issue.

Tax Listing Now Underway; Citizens' Cooperation Asked

With the mailing of information cards to all property owners in Orange county, the office of county accountant, under the direction of Gilbert W. Ray, tax supervisor, has started the task of assembling the necessary information for the reassessment of real property in the county.

Appealing for the cooperation of the county's citizens in this task, Ray this week asked that they study the copies of the information cards mailed them and be ready to answer all the questions when they list their taxes. Elsewhere in this issue, there appears a tax listing schedule.

FIRST TIME

"This is the first time that we have ever attempted to secure from our tax payers a complete, detailed description of the property on which they pay taxes," Ray pointed out in urging that the citizens cooperate in every possible way in the work.

A letter, now being mailed to all tax payers, says: "The Board of County Commissioners, in conformity with the state law, and in order that all property may be assessed on a more equitable basis, has ordered that a reassessment of real property be made in 1947."

"To aid in this revaluation program, information cards have been prepared for use of the various list takers in obtaining essential information regarding each parcel of real property in the county. A copy of this card is attached and it will save you considerable time in listing, if prior to that time, you will study this card and fill in all the information requested, except as to values. This part will be filled in by the Board of Assessors, which will begin the work of assessing as soon as possible after the tax listing period is over."

LIST EARLY

Tax payers in Hillsboro and Chapel Hill townships are being especially requested to list their taxes early. "In past years," the letter said, "about two-thirds of the property owners . . . have listed during the last 10 days of the month. With the increased work on the list taker this year, won't you please fill out the information card and go list as early in the month as possible."

After tax listing has been completed a board of assessors will then take the cards filled out and make new assessments on the property.

The board will be composed of Zeb C. Burton of Cedar Grove; Sterling H. Hunt, route 1, Hillsboro; and Roland P. McClamroch of Chapel Hill.

"It is expected that the board will begin its work about February 1."

THE NEWS Asks . . .

What was the most important event in your life in 1946?

Miss Marjorie Cole, town clerk, Hillsboro: "Friendships that I have made in 1946 have been more important to me than anything else."

Mrs. J. L. Rosemond, Hillsboro: "Having all my family home for Christmas for the first time in four years."

Mrs. W. O. Pearson, Jackson, Mississippi (a subscriber to THE NEWS): "Hearing in December that my husband was on his way home from overseas was, by far, the most important event to me in 1946."

Miss Sue B. Hayes: "Selling the Hayes Drug Store, which was established in 1873."

David C. Rhew: "The most important thing to me was the realization that I was able to readjust to civilian life after being discharged from the Army."

West Hill Baby Clinic Is Tuesday

Tuesday, January 7, at 2 p. m., the first well baby clinic at the West Hillsboro school will be held. Dr. G. David Garvin, District Health Officer, has announced.

Dr. Garvin urges all mothers of pre-school age children to take their children to family physicians or to the well baby clinic for immunization against diphtheria, whooping cough, smallpox and typhoid. In addition to receiving immunizations at the clinic, children will be weighed and measured and parents will be given an opportunity to talk privately with a public health nurse concerning the health problems of her children.

A new film, "Infant Care," will be shown to the mothers and "Little Boy Blue" will be shown to the children.

The well baby clinic, sponsored by the West Hillsboro Civic Organization, was started in September. It meets regularly on the first Tuesday at 2 p. m.

Mrs. Robert Woodard, chairman of the well baby clinic committee of the Civic Organization, urges the continued support of the clinic. "It is a real pleasure to have a clinic right here in our community and to see so many parents attending the clinic," added Mrs. Woodard. "We hope that during the New Year every mother in West Hillsboro will visit the clinic whether she has any children of pre-school age or not." Refreshments will be served by the Civic Organization.

Cates Esso Station Gets High Honor

In a recent state-wide survey made by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, Cates Service station in Hillsboro was chosen as the cleanest Esso station in North Carolina.

Second place in the contest was won by J. A. Barkley of Elizabeth City and third place by Y. C. Bailey of Durham.

In a recent letter to C. H. Cates, J. L. Wright, Jr., of Charlotte, division manager for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, stated: "We want as many motorists as possible to know that yours is a station where cleanliness and good housekeeping is a prime consideration, and have arranged to have your name publicized over The Esso Reporter on Station WPTF January 12 at 12:25 p. m."

The message to be broadcast is as follows: "When you travel . . . What do you watch for? Let these men help you: C. H. Cates, Hillsboro; J. A. Barkley, Elizabeth City; Y. C. Bailey, Durham."

"Like your own careful neighborhood dealer, and like hundreds of other independent business men who sell ESSO gasoline and ESSO Motor Oil under the red, white and blue sign . . . these men maintain clean service stations . . . clean driveways and rest rooms. Cleanliness is a habit with them . . . a good habit of which you approve. It is significant that these men have signed a special pledge to keep all parts of their stations clean and spotless . . . So that you can better enjoy Happy Motoring."

New Officers Are Installed; Parris Master

Officers of Eagle Lodge No. 19 A.F. & A.M. in Hillsboro were installed by Past Master G. A. Brown in installation ceremonies conducted at the meeting on December 27.

Elected officers installed were: C. B. Parris, Master; John P. Ballard, senior warden; A. R. Williams, junior warden; Garland Miller, treasurer; and C. M. Walker, secretary.

Appointive officers installed were: G. M. Long, senior deacon; C. H. Cates, junior deacon; G. W. Ray and J. E. Latta, stewards; and W. L. Smith, tyler.

Committee members for 1947 are: finance—G. W. Ray, E. C. Liner and C. A. Bivins;

Oxford Orphanage—G. Bivins, E. C. Liner, G. A. Munn, J. Clair McDade, S. H. Strayhorn, and J. M. Dunn;

Sick and cheer—E. C. Liner, W. L. Smith, M. P. Lloyd, S. H. Strayhorn, G. M. Long and J. Clair McDade;

Historians—G. A. Brown and R. B. Studebaker;

Instructions—C. M. Walker, G. A. Brown, H. O. Bivins, S. H. Strayhorn, and A. R. Williams.

Resolutions—Dr. H. W. Moore, C. M. Walker, and Tom C. Ellis;

Building—G. F. Miller, O. E. Bivins, H. O. Bivins, and Herbert G. Riley.

Occoneetchee Council Plans Annual Meet

Scout leaders of 11 counties from Occoneetchee council will gather in Raleigh on January 9 for the annual meeting of the council.

Reports will be made and new officers elected for the ensuing year. The program will start with a meeting of the council executive board at 4:30 p. m. in the Poinceter building of the Edenton Street Methodist church. District commissioners will also meet at the same hour. Other scouts of the council will meet in a roundtable discussion while the executive board and the commissioners are in session.

At 6:30 p. m. the Annual Council Meeting will be held. This will be a dinner meeting to which all Scouts in the Council and their wives are invited. Tickets for this meeting have been distributed to every District in the Council, and may be obtained from the District Chairman. A program has been prepared for the Annual Meeting. W. A. Dobson, Regional Executive from Atlanta will be the speaker.

Special provision will be made for the entertainment of the ladies while the afternoon conference and discussions are taking place.

Present officers of the Occoneetchee Council are Hugh G. Isley, Raleigh, president; Harold Makepeace, Sanford, vice-president; Earl Dameron, Durham, vice-president; Rev. E. N. Gardner, Henderson, vice-president; E. A. Clement, Raleigh, commissioner; H. K. Witherspoon, Raleigh, treasurer.

The Negro Division of the Council will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday, January 8, at 7:30 p. m. in the Crosby-Garfield school, Raleigh, with Dr. R. P. Daniel presiding. A general roundtable will be held at 6:00 p. m. All Negro Scouts and their wives are invited to attend.

Many Repairs Already Made At Expenditure Of \$27,593; No Fire Escapes At Carrboro

By Mae V. Lark

Conditions in Orange county's schools have become serious. Despite the tremendous number of repairs made throughout the county since last March, 13 schools are still crying out for badly needed improvements.

The board of education should be highly commended for the work it has done since the grand jury made certain recommendations after inspecting the school buildings of the county last March.

29 SCHOOLS REPAIRED

Twenty-nine schools have been generally repaired at a cost of \$27,593.55. Broken window panes have been replaced in 22 of these schools, 15 roofs have been repaired, five buildings have received new coats of paint, and new blackboards have replaced worn-out ones in seven schools. Plumbing improvements have been made in 20 schools, and four wells cleaned.

Coal stoves have replaced wood burners in four schools. An equal number of schools have been equipped with new stove pipes.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS

Two floors and three porches have been rebuilt and one plaster wall has been patched. Window shades have been replaced in four schools and venetian blinds added in one. Three schools now have better wiring and lighting.

Four schools have new or repaired doorsteps, and one has new weatherboarding. A partition has been built in the basement of the Hillsboro high school (white) for dressing rooms, and the foundation wall under one side of the gymnasium has been rebuilt.

TOILETS REPAIRED

Four toilets and seven drinking fountains have been repaired, and new locks placed on 13 doors. Four boilers or boiler-rooms have been improved.

ELEVEN SATISFIED

Besides these, many other conditions have been bettered. Yet, when the grand jury recently questioned the principals concerning needs of their schools, there were only 11 with no complaints to

make and no requests for assistance. These were Carr, Cedar Grove, Aycock, Ridge Road, Sartin, White Oak, Murphy, Cool Springs, Damascus, Sunnyside, Hillsboro (colored).

NEEDED REPAIRS

Attention was called to needs of other schools as follows: Lunch room space at both Hillsboro high and West Hillsboro schools is inadequate.

Walls of the auditorium in the old building at Caldwell are unsafe, and although the inside of the building is not used, there seems to exist some danger that the walls might sometime collapse upon children playing outside the building.

COVER WELL HOLE

At Poplar Grove school, a well hole seven feet deep covered by rotten planks should be filled or recovered for safety.

Carrboro school needs two fire escapes at the school now.

Repairs to roofs, windows, toilets, stoves and stove pipes, floors, walls, and improved lighting conditions are requested by Caldwell, Poplar Grove, White Cross, Hickory Grove, Gravelly, Fairfield, Effland (colored), Effland (white), Orange county Training School, Carrboro and Morris Grove.

The grand jury urged in the interest of better eye health that some "conscientious" attention be given to improving lighting facilities and conditions in all the schools of the county.

These reports from the board of education and the grand jury clearly show that the problem is a serious one and will require much more attention than the tremendous amount already given it.

Orange Has Goal Of \$3,500 In Jan. 15-30 Polio Drive

The 1947 March of Dimes, annual fund raising drive of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis which sparkplugs the never-ceasing battle against polio, will be held January 15-30, it was announced this week by E. Carrington Smith of Chapel Hill who is serving as Orange county's chairman in the effort.

Bonner D. Sawyer, Hillsboro attorney, will assist Smith in the effort by directing the drive from Hillsboro, it was disclosed.

SCHOOLS AID

The drive in the schools will be directed by the superintendent of schools, R. H. Clayton, and his assistant, Glenn Proffit.

Orange county has a goal of \$3,500 to raise in the drive which starts on Wednesday, January 15 and extends through Thursday, January 30.

"The people of Orange county, in common with Americans everywhere," Smith said, "have been most generous in the past in supporting the fight against infantile paralysis through the March of Dimes. Indications are that they will be even more generous this year because they know that this fight is their fight. They realize that the March of Dimes is their best insurance against polio—and that the battle will go on in the laboratory until final victory is won and infantile paralysis joins the other great scourges of mankind unmasked and disarmed by knowledge."

That polio strikes all ages is well known, but not many people realize the great cost of taking care of the victims and the amount of money needed for further research, it was pointed out.

Here in Orange county during the past year, there have been several cases of polio with death taking one of those struck.

News of Eno

By Mrs. S. H. Strayhorn

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truesdale, Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Truesdale, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Talley and Carolyn spent Sunday, December 22, in Salisbury as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Haightcock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harris and Mary Jo returned home Saturday night after having visited relatives in Mt. Holly and Sanford over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Haightcock and Bradley visited Mr. Haightcock's parents in Macon on Friday of last week.

Sgt. Paul Ballenger visited his brother, J. C. Ballenger, and family during the holidays. He left Saturday morning for Duncan, S. C. to visit his mother before returning to duty at Fort Elgin, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lark visited relatives in Easley, S. C., and Salisbury during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Truesdale and Sarah Ann, Howard Cox, and Miss Carrie Lockhart returned from Honea Path, S. C., Friday.

Miss Carrie Kay of Belton, S. C., spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. L. H. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Haightcock and E. C. Jr., left for their home in Salisbury Sunday after visiting Mrs. Haightcock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Truesdale.

Mrs. Elizabeth Harris of Anderson, S. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Cox last week.

Mrs. L. E. Lloyd visited in Chapel Hill over the weekend. L. E. Lloyd visited in Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Talley and Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Truesdale motored to Greensboro Sunday afternoon.